Construction Tax and Property Conveyance Tax Fund: Library Purposes

Fund 393

CONSTRUCTION TAX AND PROPERTY CONVEYANCE TAX FUND OVERVIEW:

San José Municipal Code section 4.80.300 establishes a single fund, the "Construction Tax and Property Conveyance Tax Fund", for the deposit and accounting of the Construction Tax and the Property Conveyance Tax ("C&C revenues"). The various "funds" to which C&C revenues are allocated are accounted for within the Construction Tax and Property Conveyance Tax Fund.

PURPOSE OF THE FUND:

Chapter 4.55 of the San José Municipal Code provides for the allocation and expenditure of C&C revenues. At least 64% of the revenues are allocated for the purposes of Park Improvements. For additional information on the collection and allocation of C&C revenues, please refer to the Construction Tax and Property Conveyance Tax Fund: Parks Purposes Central Fund. No more than 36% of the C&C revenues are allocated for other municipal improvements, including library purposes. By City Council practice, the City Council historically has annually appropriated 14.22% of the C&C revenues for library purposes.

Generally, the expenditures in this fund are limited to the purposes as provided in San José Municipal Code sections 4.55.300A and 4.55.300B.1. These include the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, replacement, remodeling, modification, alteration, enlargement, renovation, furnishing and refurnishing and capital maintenance of City public library facilities, equipment and materials, including land and interests in land, library buildings, furniture, books, circulating or reference nonbook library materials, furnishings, equipment, parking areas, streets and sidewalks adjacent to City public library facilities, and other works, properties, structures and facilities necessary or convenient for the public library system of the City. Expenditure may also be made for the leasing, renting and processing of books.

Additionally, the City Council may appropriate up to 10% of the allocation for library purposes for certain operating maintenance costs (as defined in Municipal Code section 4.55.440) for library facilities.

AUTHORITY FOR THE FUND:

San José Municipal Code chapter 4.54 and San José Municipal Code section 4.80.300 through 4.80.320. Revenue and expenditure estimates are budgeted via Council funding sources resolution and appropriation ordinance, respectively.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

- Construction Tax (San José Municipal Code chapter 4.54): An excise tax imposed at the rates set forth in San José Municipal Code Chapter 4.54 on every person who constructs, or causes to be constructed, any building, or portion thereof, or any mobile home lot in the City in which said person has an equity or title or other interest either as owner, leasee or otherwise.
- ➤ Real Property Conveyance Tax (San José Municipal Code chapter 4.58): An excise tax imposed on each transfer, by deed, instrument or writing by which any lands, tenements, or other real property sold, located in the City, or is granted, assigned, transferred or otherwise conveyed to, or

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SOURCE OF FUNDS (CONT'D.):

vested in, a purchaser or purchasers thereof, or any person or persons at or by the direction of said purchaser or purchasers, when the value of the consideration exceeds one hundred dollars. The tax is imposed at the rate of one dollar and sixty-five cents for each five hundred dollars, or fractional part of five hundred dollars, of the value of the consideration.

- > Interest Earnings (see Fund Restrictions)
- > Grants (by City Council practice, grants for library purposes are budgeted in this fund).

FUND RESTRICTIONS:

The fund is to be expended as outlined above. Per section 4.55.310 of the San José Municipal Code, the City Council may transfer interest earnings in this fund into any special fund or the General Fund. Grant funds deposited in this fund are subject to the restrictions of the particular grant.

The sources of funding for this fund include special taxes. Increases to the tax rate or significant changes to the use of these taxes are subject to voter approval.

LEAD RESPONSIBILITY:

Library Department

FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND LOCATION:

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Designation:

Governmental Fund-Special Revenue

Budget Location:

Adopted Capital Budget and Capital Improvement Program (Library Capital Program)

Funding Sources Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance Location:

Section 12.40

NOTES:

When the Construction and Conveyance Tax revenues are received each month, they are deposited into the Construction and Conveyance Revenue Distribution Memo Fund (Fund 396). After the funds are deposited, they are distributed according to San José Municipal Code chapter 4.55 and the Council approved distribution formula to the following C&C Tax Funds: Fire (8.40%); Park Yards (1.20%); Library (14.22%); Parks (64.0%); Service Yards (8.78%); and Communications (3.4%).